

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method for management of business metrics using a system including a server and at least one user accessible device communicative with the server, the server having a database and a web interface, said method comprising providing user with a web interface configurable to a template accommodating business metrics data by the user.

2. The method according to Claim 1 wherein the web page interface is a hypertext markup language interface and the method further comprises creating a template from the web interface which accepts business metrics data..

3. The method according to Claim 2 wherein the method comprises creating a field for entry of one or more business metrics definitions in a template and uploading the template into the database.

4. The method according to Claim 3 wherein the method comprises entering a textual definition into one of the business metrics definitions.

5. The method according to Claim 4 wherein the method comprises selecting and creating a validation for a user selected field of a template.

6. The method according to Claim 4 wherein the method comprises adding a select box feature to a field of a template.

7. The method according to Claim 6 wherein the method comprises electronically linking a metric target with a field of a template.

8. The method according to Claim 7 wherein the method comprises linking a parameter selected from a level and a weight to one or more of the fields of a template.

9. The method according to Claim 8 wherein the method comprises creating a field category for a template.

10. The method according to Claim 9 wherein the method comprises changing a field of said template.

11. The method according to Claim 9 wherein the method comprises modifying one of the field definitions of a template.

12. The method according to Claim 9 wherein the method comprises modifying a template by changing the order of appearance of the fields.

13. The method according to Claim 1 wherein the method comprises modifying a template by adding one or more entities to a template.

14. A business metrics management system comprising:

a computer;

a server configured with a database enabled for storing and retrieving a web page interface, said server further configured to upload and store user input regarding business metrics in a database;

a network communicative with the server and a user operated device connected to the network.

15. The system according to Claim 17 which comprises a server which is configured to upload and store a template comprising business metric data.

16. The system according to Claim 18 which comprises a database having templates having data fields which accept business metrics data.

17. The system according to Claim 19 wherein the template has a data field containing business metric data.

18. The system according to Claim 19 wherein the templates have validations for one or more data fields.

19. A method for providing business management with business metrics, said method comprising:

creating a business metric template which can accommodate business metrics data;

entering business metrics data into the template;

uploading the template into a database having enabled storage and retrieval capability for a business metric template

providing the business metric template to business management.

20. The method according to Claim 24 wherein the template is configured to accommodate business metric data comprising fields of user metric data.

21. The method according to Claim 27 wherein the fields of user data comprise user selected business metrics.

22. The method according to Claim 28 wherein a manager reviews a template and provides business instruction to a business unit associated with the template.

23. The method according to Claim 30 wherein a user creates field categories for a template.

24. The method according to Claim 30 wherein a user modifies a template by changing a field of a template.

25. The method according to Claim 30 wherein a user modifies said template by modifying one of the field definitions of a template.

26. An apparatus comprising:

a computer;

a server configured with a database enabled for storing and retrieving a template, the server additionally configured to upload and store business metrics data in a database;

a network communicative with the server and a user device connected to the network.

27. An apparatus in accordance with Claim 26 which comprises a server providing a hypertext markup language interface to the user device.

28. An apparatus in accordance with Claim 26 which comprises a server providing a web interface configurable into a template.

29. An apparatus in accordance with Claim 28 which comprises a server storing the template containing business metrics data.

30. An apparatus comprising:

means for providing a web interface to a user;

means for configuring the web interface to a template

means for entering business metrics data in the template

means for storing and retrieving the template.

31. An apparatus in accordance with Claim 30 comprising means for providing a hypertext markup language interface to the user device.

32. An apparatus in accordance with Claim 31 comprising means for providing a web interface configurable into a template.

33. An apparatus in accordance with Claim 32 comprising means for storing the template containing business metrics data.

34. A computer-readable medium executable by a computer connected to a user device, for controlling the computer to:

Receive a request to provide a web interface;

Provide a web interface configurable to a template;

Receive business metrics data in the template;

Store the template.

35. A computer-readable medium in accordance with Claim 34 where

the computer is a server and is controlled to provide a hypertext markup language interface to the user device.

36. A computer-readable medium in accordance with Claim 34 where

the computer is a server and is controlled to provide a web interface

configurable into a template.

37. A computer-readable medium in accordance with Claim 34, further comprising business metrics data.

37. A database comprising business metrics data obtained from a template.

38. A database in accordance with Claim 37 further comprising relational data associated with the business metrics data.

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